1 State of New Hampshire Banking Department In re the Matter of:) Case No.: 07-121 2 State of New Hampshire Banking) Order to Show Cause 3 4 Department, 5 Petitioner, 6 and 7 American Mortgage Professionals Inc, 8 Kenneth Terrill and Margaret Terrill,) 9 Respondents 10 11 NOTICE OF ORDER This Order commences an adjudicative proceeding under the provisions of 12 RSA 397-A:17, RSA 541-A, BAN 200 and JUS 800. 13 LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION 14 Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, the Banking Department of the State of New 15 Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue an order 16 to show cause why license revocation penalties for violations of New 17 Hampshire Banking laws should not be imposed. 18 Pursuant to RSA 397-A:21, the Commissioner has the authority to 19 suspend, revoke or deny any license and to impose administrative penalties of up to \$2,500.00 for each violation of New Hampshire banking law and rules. 20 NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING 2.1 The above named respondents have the right to request a hearing on this 22 Order to Show Cause, as well as the right to be represented by counsel at 23 each Respondent's own expense. All hearings shall comply with RSA 541-A. Any

such request for a hearing shall be in writing, and signed by the respondents

or the duly authorized agent of the above named respondents, and shall be

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delivered either by hand or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire, 64B Old Suncook Road, Concord, NH 03301. Such hearings will be scheduled within 10 days of the request. If the Respondents fail to appear at the hearing after being duly notified, such person shall be deemed in default, and the proceeding may be determined against the Respondents upon consideration of the Order to Show Cause, the allegations of which may be deemed to be true.

If the Respondents fail to request a hearing within 30 calendar days of receipt of such order or reach formal settlement with the Department within that time frame, then such person shall likewise be deemed in default, and the orders shall, on the thirty-first day, become permanent, and shall remain in full force and effect until and unless later modified or vacated by the commissioner, for good cause shown.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS, APPLICABLE LAWS AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

The <u>Staff Petition</u> dated March 13, 2008 (a copy of which is attached hereto) is incorporated by reference hereto.

ORDER

WHEREAS, finding it necessary and appropriate and in the public interest, and consistent with the intent and purposes of the New Hampshire banking laws, and

WHEREAS, finding that the allegations contained in the Staff Petition, if proved true and correct, form the legal basis of the relief requested,

It is hereby $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ORDERED}}$, that the Respondent shall show cause why:

- Administrative penalties of \$2,500.00 should not be imposed against each named Respondent; and
- 2. Invoice number 4308 in the amount of \$2,500.00 should not be paid; and
- 3. Respondent American's license should not be revoked; and

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2	It is hereby ORDERED that:		
3	4.	Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of	
4		receipt of this Order shall result in a default judgment be	eing
5		rendered, license revocation and administrative penalties	
6		imposed upon the defaulting Respondent.	
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8		SIGNED,	
9	Dated: 3/14/08	/ SRAF/ PETER C. HILDRETH	
10		BANK COMMISSIONER	
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1 State of New Hampshire Banking Department In re the Matter of: 2) Case No.: 07-121 3 State of New Hampshire Banking) Staff Petition 4 Department, 5 Petitioner,) March 13, 2008 6 and 7 American Mortgage Professionals Inc, Kenneth Terrill and Margaret Terrill,) 8 9 Respondents 10 11 STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS 12 The Staff of the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire (hereinafter 13 referred to as the "Department) alleges the following facts: 14 1. American Mortgage Professionals, Inc's (hereinafter "Respondent 15 American") 2006 annual report was due on or before February 1, 2007. 16 17 2. Respondent American was licensed as a Mortgage Broker and at all 18 times relevant to this action held a Department license since at 19 least 2006. 20 Respondent Kenneth Terrill is, or was during the relevant time 3. 21 period, majority shareholder and President of Respondent 22 American. 23 4. Respondent Margaret Terrill is, or was during the relevant time 24 minority shareholder Secretary Respondent period, and of 25 American.

On February 2, 2007 the Department sent Respondent American a

reminder notice via facsimile that the annual report had not been received.

- 6. On or about March 5, 2007 the Department sent Respondent American a letter via US Certified Mail (mail piece number: 7006 2760 0002 2477 2393) advising them that the annual report had not been received and they had until March 26, 2007 to file the report to avoid enforcement action. The Respondent received and signed for the letter on or about March 9, 2007.
- 7. On or about June 4, 2007 this petitioner sent a final offer to Respondents American, addressed to Respondent K. Terrill, which contained an offer to resolve the matter by consent order. That mail was received June 10, 2007.
- 8. The Respondent filed its annual report on June 20, 2007, 139 days past the due date which generated a statutory penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00.
- 9. To date the Respondent has failed to pay the statutory penalty for late filing of the annual report.

ISSUES OF LAW

The staff of the Department, alleges the following issues of law:

- The Department realleges the above stated facts in paragraphs 1 through 9.
- The Department has jurisdiction over the licensing and regulation of persons engaged in mortgage broker activities pursuant to NH RSA 397-A:3.

- 3. RSA 397-A:13 I provides that a licensee shall file its annual report on or before February 1 each year concerning operations for the preceding year or license period ending December 31.

 The Respondents violated this provision by submitting the annual report 139 days late.
- 4. RSA 397-A:13 IV provides that any mortgage broker which fails to file its annual report within the time prescribed may be required to pay to the department a penalty of \$25.00 for each calendar day the report is overdue up to a maximum penalty of \$2,500.00.
- 5. RSA 397-A:21 IV provides that any person who, either knowingly or negligently, violates any provision of Chapter 397-A, may upon hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to an administrative fine not to exceed \$2,500, or both. Each of the acts specified shall constitute a separate violation, and such administrative action or fine may be imposed in addition to any criminal penalties or civil liabilities imposed by New Hampshire Banking laws.
- 6. RSA 397-A:21 V provides that every person who directly or indirectly controls a person liable under this section, every partner, principal executive officer or director of such person, every person occupying a similar status or performing a similar function, every employee of such person who materially aids in the act constituting the violation, and every licensee or person acting as a common law agent who materially aids in the acts constituting the violation, either knowingly or negligently, may,

upon notice and opportunity for hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to suspension, revocation, or denial of any registration or license, including the forfeiture of any application fee, or the imposition of an administrative fine not to exceed \$2,500, or both. Each of the acts specified shall constitute a separate violation, and such administrative action or fine may be imposed in addition to any criminal or civil penalties imposed.

RELIEF REQUESTED

The staff of the Department requests the Commissioner take the following Action:

- 1. Find as fact the allegations contained in section I of this petition;
- Make conclusions of law relative to the allegations contained in section II of the this petition;
- 3. Order the Respondents to Show Cause why its license should not be revoked;
- 4. Assess fines and administrative penalties in accordance with RSA 397-A:21, for violations of Chapter 397-A, in the number and amount equal to the violations set forth in section II of this petition; and
- 5. Take such other administrative and legal actions as necessary for enforcement of the New Hampshire Banking Laws, the protection of New Hampshire citizens, and to provide other equitable relief.

RIGHT TO AMEND

The Department reserves the right to amend this Staff Petition and to request that the Commissioner take additional administrative action.

1	Nothing herein shall preclude the Department from bringing additional
2	enforcement action under RSA 397-A or the regulations thereunder.
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